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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating Washington High School on its victory in the Class 3A Boys Basketball championship.

Whereas, The Washington High School Hatchets won the 2004-2005 Indiana High School Athletic Association Class 3A Boys State Basketball Championship at Conseco Field House in Indianapolis;

Whereas, This victory marks the first state boys basketball title for Washington High School since 1942;

Whereas, The Hatchets won the title with a last second, half-court shot in overtime by Luke Zeller, the Trester Award winner and leading scorer with 27 points, to defeat Plymouth 74-72;

Whereas, The Hatchets tied the Class 3A record with a fiery .692 shooting from the field, hitting 27 of 39 to equal Indianapolis Cathedral's effort in 1998;

Whereas, Senior forward Isaac Stoll finished with 16 points, hitting a 3A-best .500 from three-point range on 4 of 8 shooting;

Whereas, The victory gave retiring coach Dave Omer a perfect send-off, completing a 27-2 season with a state title;

Whereas, The Hatchets played an inspired game with the entire team contributing to the victory;



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Whereas, Kyle Price, Kevin Decker, Brett Matteson, Bart Young, Joel McDonald, David Brashear, Jordan Winkler, Justin Smith, Luke Zeller, Ross Wade, Isaac Stoll, Tyler Zeller, and Bryan Bouchie, with their stupendous drive and energy, have proven to be a uniting force in the community, as many residents of Washington attended the championship game;

Whereas, Washington Community Schools constructed the Hatchet House in 1967;

Whereas, The Hatchet House, with a capacity of 7,090, is the 14th largest gym in Indiana;

Whereas, Hoosier hysteria continues to thrive in this Daviess County community due to the great fans who have supported their Hatchets through their positive spirit;

Whereas, Washington High School has a history of great basketball players, including the following All-Stars: Hook Mangin (1941), Charles Harmon (1942), Jim Riffey (1942), Steve Bouchie (1979), Craig Neal (1993), Julie Helm (1995), and Luke Zeller (2005); and

Whereas, Victories by teams such as the Washington High School Hatchets are truly what Indiana legends are made of, and this legend will live on a long time in the hearts of the residents of Washington, Indiana, and of others around the state: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Washington High School boys basketball team on the 2004-2005 Class 3A state basketball championship and acknowledges the many hours of hard work required to reach a level of excellence necessary to win a state championship. The members of the General Assembly also express their continued good wishes for the members and coaches of this remarkable team.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members

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- 1 of the Washington Hatchets, head coach Dave Omer, assistant coaches
- Tony Barnard, Alan Bubalo, Les Wilson, and Kyle Cornelius, Principal
- Gary Puckett, and superintendent Dr. Tom Miller.



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